

## MILLIONS IN VIENNA STARE AND FREEZE

Chancellor Pleads for Succor. Babies Die in Lightless, Heatless Rooms.

By KARL H. VON WIEGAND.  
BERLIN, Nov. 23.—Chancellor Renner of Austria has appealed to the Austrian National Assembly to "awaken the consciences of our neighboring states and of the world to the terrible condition of the people of Vienna."

Describing the situation to the assembly, the chancellor said: "In a city of more than 2,000,000 people, the great masses of the working people and also the entire middle class, artists, scholars and professional men and women, sit in unlighted, unheated rooms, hungry and freezing. One cannot know whether under these conditions and circumstances the 2,000,000 inhabitants of the city will survive the winter of horror before us."

"In the towns and industrial centers of the Steiermark district it has been impossible to give out bread for some days."

The coal supply throughout the country has failed entirely and we see a daily increase of funerals. In the rapidly growing number of children's graves we see before us the dying of an entire community.

"In this terrible situation the government desires mutually with the national assembly to appeal to our neighboring peoples and endeavor to awaken the conscience of the world."

According to a dispatch from Vienna, the following ration has been established:

One hundred and fifty grams of bread and four daily, 1,000 grams of meat weekly; one pound of potatoes weekly. No sugar is to be had. Of two hundred sugar factories in old Austria, only four remain in the present Austria.

There are bitter reproaches against the allies for having prevented a union between Austria and Germany, in which event it is believed Germany would have endeavored to render some aid. As it is, plans are being made to send coal and some food from Germany's slender supply.

## BERLIN OFFICIALS THREATEN STRIKE

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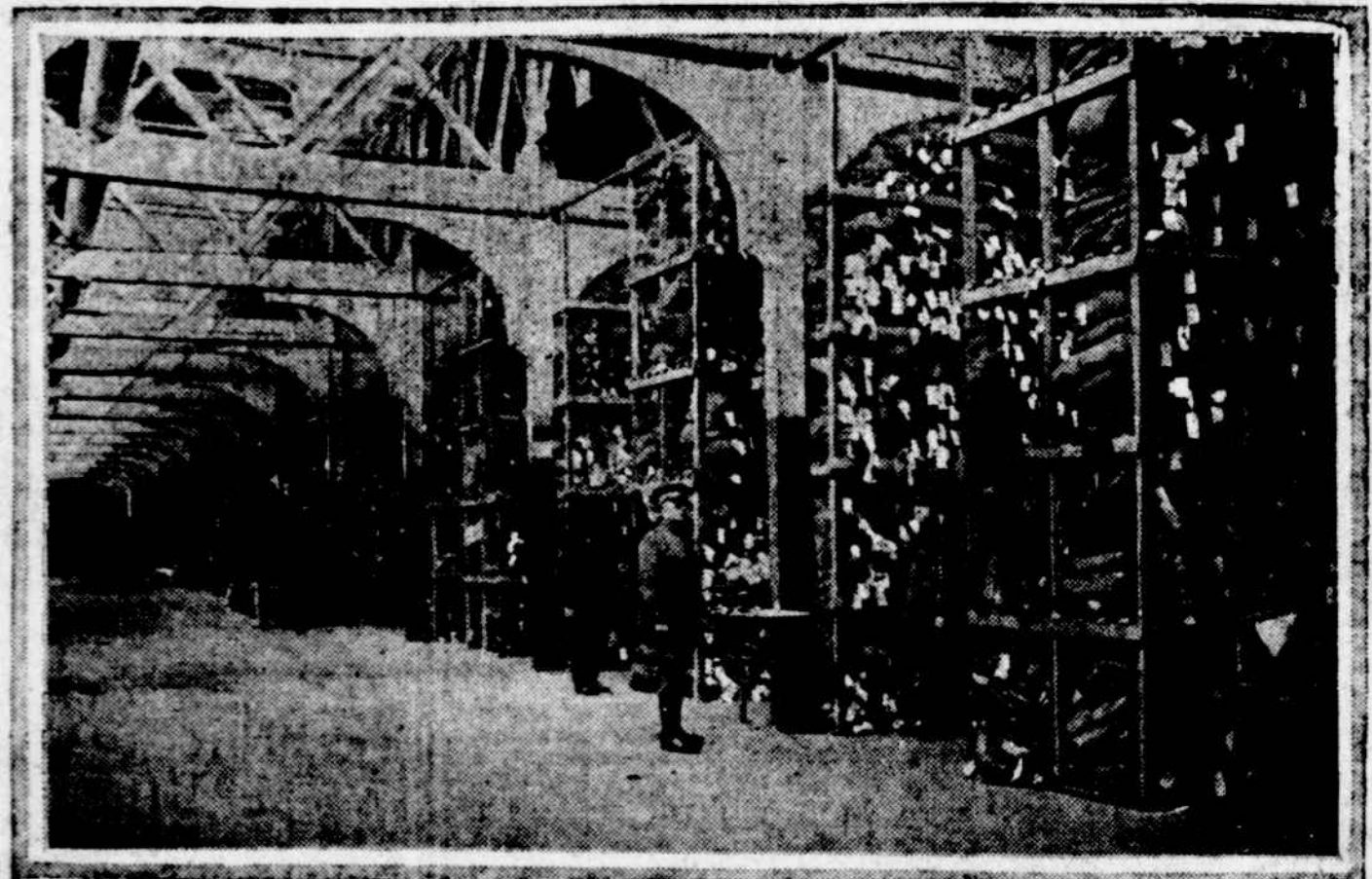
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## GERMANY PLANS TAX ON EXPORTS

Cabinet Seeks to Stop "Dumping" of Goods on World Markets.

By KARL H. VON WIEGAND.  
BERLIN, Nov. 23.—Alarmed over the threatening defensive legislation in England, America and other nations against the "dumping" of German goods into those markets, the German cabinet has taken up the question for the purpose of finding some means of obviating this practice. The levying of an export duty is under consideration as the first step to deter firms from sending their goods into foreign markets at prices that defy competition because of the depreciation of the German mark.

The government, as it was explained to me, takes the view that the practice which is causing grave alarm among manufacturers in England and America, has been forced upon Germany by the decrease in the value of the mark, which if it should continue would make it impossible for other nations to compete with Germany in the world market.

No Advantage to Germany.  
It is considered that this condition, far from being an advantage to Germany, is altogether undesirable and that the raising of the value of the mark is of far greater importance than this temporary trade advantage.

It is pointed out that Holland, Switzerland, Denmark and other countries are placing orders in Germany and buying everything saleable at ridiculously low prices, which are made possible by the fact that their money ranges in value from ten to seventeen times that of the mark and that the price obtained by the German dealers when re-translated into foreign exchange is not sufficient to provide raw materials.

Coupon Tax Considered.  
The government's view that it is of the most vital importance to Germany herself to prevent dumping in order to avert a defensive lineup of the world markets against her manufacturers and that a stiff export tax is absolutely necessary until the value of German money rises. Conferences on the subject have been called for the coming week.

The heavy burden of taxation now carried by the Germans is to be increased soon. Foreign Minister Erberger, I am informed, is working on a coupon tax to be levied on dividends and interest coupons of all dividend-paying stocks, loans, securities and mortgages of every description. This is to be in addition to the income tax paid on such holdings as well as to the heavy national emergency surcharge, as the one-time capital tax is called. In discussing this matter, leading bankers are bitterly denouncing Erberger's various tax schemes as in part impractical and ruinous.

BLAMES ECLIPSE FOR DEATH.  
ALBANY, Ga., Nov. 23.—Walker Davis, a prominent south Georgian, and president of the Cairo Banking Co., was killed at Cairo, Ga., when he was run over by an automobile driven by W. J. Ragan, a plantation superintendent. Mr. Ragan says the partial eclipse of the sun was responsible for the accident.

## HOBOES 'CAN' BOOKS TO EAT SANDWICHES

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Nov. 23.—The Cleveland branch of the James Eads How string of hobo colleges got away to a rather poor start last night, with only twenty-five "students" in attendance.

How, "millionaire hobo," of St. Louis, was not present to launch the enterprise, but was represented by several baskets of sandwiches and pots of coffee.

The evening was to be devoted to economics, industrial law, and public speaking, but the night was chill and wet, and the hall none too warm, so the cultivation of the mind gave way almost immediately to the refreshment.

## HYATTSVILLE NEWS

HYATTSVILLE, Md., Nov. 23.—George Williams, alias Rob Brown, Strawberry, is in the county jail at Upper Marlboro following his conviction in the police court here by Magistrate Herbert J. Moffatt on charges of stealing a horse, buggy, and a set of harness belonging to E. G. Emack, of Beltsville, and the theft of clothing from Robert Brooks.

That this section years ago was inhabited by Indians is evidenced by the discovery in the woods near the local high school by cadets of the school of several dozen Indian arrowheads.

Dr. Charles W. Needham, assistant counsel of the Interstate Commerce Commission, spoke last night on "The League of Nations," at the schoolhouse at Brentwood.

The Parent-Teachers' Association of Hyattsville will hold an informal reception for the teachers to meet the parents of the pupils and friends of the school Tuesday evening at the State armory.

A lecture by Dr. A. F. Woods, president of the Maryland State College, featured a meeting of the Men's Bible Class of the First Presbyterian Church last night.

The First Presbyterian and First Baptist Churches of this place will unite in services at 11 o'clock Thanksgiving morning. Rev. Strong, of the Baptist Church, is to deliver the sermon.

Ted Toothman, of Washington, will conduct a song service tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church.

It is stated that steps are to be taken to ask the State Legislature to grant articles of incorporation for the towns of Berwyn and Riverdale.

The Community Club of Landover, this county, will hold a dance for the benefit of the school at that place on November 24 for the benefit of the school. The committee on arrangements is composed of Mrs. E. M. Parker, Mrs. Earl Sheriff, Mrs. Mary Mott, Mrs. Charles Summers, Mrs. George Wells, and Mrs. Martha Rea.

Belfer Crotts, sixteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Crotts, of Dodge Park, this county, was accidentally killed a few days ago while gunning with friends. Funeral services were held at Dodge Park M. E. Church. Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery, Bladensburg.

On December 13 an examination is to be held for rural mail carrier at the office of the Civil Service Commission, Washington, to fill a vacancy at the Landover postoffice.

Rev. Charles A. Cruso has been inducted rector of St. Paul's parish in the lower section of this county, by Bishop Harding.

Mrs. R. Harding Beall, seventy-two years old, died at her home near Ritchie. Six sons survive: Clayton, Howard, Robert, John, W. Wesley and Bernard. Funeral services were held at the parsonage of Father Leughran, of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Upper Marlboro. Interment was in the cemetery adjoining St. Thomas' Church, Crofton.

Prince Georges county school officials are again taking up Junior Red Cross work in the various schools in the county. Since this organization was formed two years ago it has taken an everingly active part in all patriotic work. Last year 7,000 school children were members of the organization. Membership blanks have been sent to all principals of schools throughout the county.

## G. O. P. PLAN TO CUT BUDGETS TO BONE

Congress Majority Seeks Economy Record As Fall Campaign Aid.

Economy until it hurts!  
This will be the motto of the Republican leaders in their efforts to make a record in the approaching session of Congress on which they can go before the country in the campaign next fall.

Reduction of the cost of operating the Federal Government is the most important problem confronting the Republican majority, it is generally agreed. This was emphasized by Congressman James R. Mann, of Illinois, former Republican leader. He said: "One of three things must be done—we must cut down expenditures, increase taxes or raise more money through loans. The country will be satisfied only with the first. The strictest possible economy must be insisted upon. The country demands it. It is foolish to think of borrowing money to operate the Government in times of peace."

The Republican realize that any increase in taxes is out of the question. Such a policy would result in political suicide.

Word went out to the chairmen of the appropriating committees of the House during the session that they were to "cut to the bone." This order was carried out to some extent, but the leaders believe far greater reductions can be made in the appropriations for the next fiscal year, and they will insist upon this being done.

Indications now are that there will be a deficit of at least \$2,000,000,000 at the end of the present fiscal year. Congressman Nicholas Longworth, a member of the Ways and Means Committee, estimates that the deficit will be nearer \$3,500,000,000.

Many Obstacles in Way.  
This condition coupled with the temper of the country, the Republicans say, makes it imperative that Congress shall prevent the expenditure of a single dollar more than is actually necessary.

Many obstacles stand in the way of this program, however. Among other things, pay increases are demanded for the army and navy and a Congressional commission is now at work on a reclassification of the civil service employees of the Government which necessarily will involve increases.

The sentiment in favor of an additional compensation for service men is growing stronger among members of the House, and it is certain that this issue must be met during the coming session. Endorsement of the bonus movement by the American Legion at its Minneapolis convention will have great weight with the Congressmen.

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## TREATY NOW DEAD, GERMANY BELIEVES

Berlin Views Senate Action As "Triumph of American Good Sense."

BERLIN, Nov. 23.—The German government, on the basis of reports so far received here, considers the peace treaty virtually dead, according to a semi-official statement at the foreign office today.

The action of the American Senate, as reported in Berlin, caused German officials to look upon the Senate's action as a "triumph of American good sense." The American Senators realized the treaty was "impossible," they said. Officials expressing this view saw the possibility that the American Senate decision might eventually influence the remainder of the hostile powers to modify the peace treaty.

On the other hand, it was pointed out, America's absence on supervisory commission, enforcing the terms of the treaty, would give France and Great Britain a "free hand in opposing Germany." American representation, on the other hand, these officials declared, would mean "fairer play for the German democracy."

The German government favors a "real league of nations," it was stated. It believes that if a "real league" is not created, a continuation of militarism is the only alternative. The league framed by the peace

conference, however, the German government looks upon as a mere coalition of powers to perpetuate anti-Germanism. This cannot come into being without the support of America, in the opinion of the German officials.

Germany, is the present league is killed, believes there is a chance for a renewal of the idea, with American participation, it was said. American good sense will undoubtedly insist upon some plan for the termination of war, in the German view.

There was no inclination to believe, according to statements at the foreign office, that the American Senate's decision was influenced by pro-Germanism.

The Pan-Germanists in Berlin seized upon the news with unconcealed joy. They took the view that the Senate's vote proves America is with Germany.

**FARMER CONFERENCE URGES U. S. RAILROAD CONTROL**

CHICAGO, Nov. 23.—Government control of railroads, mines, meat packing industry, merchant marine, and establishment of co-operative credit, were advocated in the report adopted by the Farmer Labor Conference, which concluded its session here last night.

The conference also went on record as favoring taxation of corporations profiting by the war at the rate established during the war until all debts in the United States are paid.

**BERGER RAPS PRESIDENT'S "ALLIANCE WITH CAPITAL"**  
MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 23.—Victor L. Berger, Socialist candidate for re-election to Congress from which he was barred, is against prohibition, and "Wilson's alliance of capitalists to guarantee each other's loot."

## WETS TO ATTACK DRY AMENDMENT

Constitutional Prohibition to Be "Fought to Last Ditch," Say Lawyers.

The eighteenth amendment to the Constitution, establishing permanent prohibition, will be attacked by the wets, it was learned today from attorneys participating in the Supreme Court arguments over the validity of war-time prohibition.

Constitutional prohibition "will be fought to the last ditch," it was stated. Already plans are being made to attack the amendment about the time it becomes effective, January 16. The first move probably will be made by the State of Rhode Island, which will ask the Supreme Court for immunity from enforcement of the amendment, on the ground that the State legislature has never ratified it. To fight the case, the legislature has authorized the expenditure of \$5,000, according to attorneys for the State who are here to get pointers from the arguments on war-time prohibition.

Before Supreme Court.  
The suit, being that of a State against the United States, will be instituted in the Supreme Court, thus assuring expedition.

Rhode Island, the State attorneys here said, will not only strive to remain wet itself, but will seek to knock out the amendment on the ground that it is a usurpation of State police powers by the Federal

Government. It is pointed out that the States can delegate these powers to the Federal Government, but at this point the method of ratification will be attacked. The position will be taken that all acts of legislatures are subject to review by the people, if demanded, and the powers can not be handed over to the Federal Government until the people approve the action of the legislature.

Wets From Campaign.  
Likewise, a case is expected from Ohio, if the wets win the referendum on the national amendment as to whether States by referendum can withdraw their previous ratification. Should this be so held, the liquor interests will start a campaign to convince the people of ten of the States whose legislatures have approved the amendment that they do not want prohibition.

Since forty-five States have ratified the amendment, if this were accomplished the amendment would be valid. Otherwise, it would require the approval of thirty-six States to repeal.

**BRITISH FLIERS IN GERMANY MISSING**

PARIS, Nov. 23.—The Aero Club yesterday announced the complete disappearance in the interior of Germany of Captain Matthews and Sergeant Kay, British aviators, who were attempting an aeroplane flight from London to Australia.

CONFESSED SLOTTED THEFT.  
DUNKIRK, N. Y., Nov. 23.—Milo Elwell, twenty-eight of this city, confessed, it was said by the police, that he stole a registered mail pouch containing \$55,000 in Liberty bonds and \$35 in cash at the Erie station here last Wednesday night.

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